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joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed

in patent number 6,423,477, granted July 23, 2002, and for which areissue patent is sought on the invention entitled
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A STAMPER FOR PRODUCING OPTICAL DISCS, A STAMPER THUS OBTAINED AND AN
OPTICAL DISC OBTAINED BY USING SUCH A STAMPER

the specification of which

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(If applicable)

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